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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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Application Number	09/960,289			
Filing Date	October 16, 2000			
First Named Inventor	Larry McAllister			
Group Art Unit	3713			
Examiner Name	Aaron L. Enatsky			
Attorney Docket Number	10407/459			

37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SBI29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 Previously submitted Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on __ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____ iii. Dther b. X Enclosed i. 🗷 Amendment/Reply Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) 2. Miscellaneous a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 03721/2003 AWONDAF1 00000058 09960289 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) 750.00 OP ii. x Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 iii. Other b. x Check in the amount of \$750.00 and \$110.00 enclosed Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED Name (Print /Type) Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 45.030 Signature Date 03/14/03 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, Box RCE, Washington, DC 20231, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on: Brooke-W. Quist Name (Print/Type) 03/14/03

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION	1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	110.00
1. BASIC FILING FEE	1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
Large Entity Small Entity	1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
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1001 750 2001 375 Utility filing fee	1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1002 330 2002 165 Design filing fee	1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
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1004 750 2004 375 Reissue filing fee	1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	/\)
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1202	1809	750	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1203 280 2203 140 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be	
1204 84 2204 42 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent	1801	750	2801	375	examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	750.00
1205 18 2205 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	-
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